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1. Project Description

A. Statement of GO Activity

This project application is being made on behalf of the Plumas National Forest Summer and Winter OHV/OSV programs.

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Staff management and maintenance of OHV summer camps, 4X4 camps, year-round sanitation facilities, trailheads, staging areas, semi-developed campgrounds, designated touring routes, etc.

Contracted services in support of these programs, i.e. toilet pumping

Miscellaneous tools, supplies and materials for maintenance of signs, kiosks and visitor information boards distributed throughout the forest for both winter and summer use.

Propane for the snow groomer's shed at Buck's Lake for operation of the electricity generator

Maintenance for the OHV boat maintenance that provides service to the Gold Lake 4X4 camp.

OHV/OSV recreation is rapidly becoming a major element of the Plumas National Forest recreation program. The forest is within a two hour drive of Reno, NV, Sacramento, Yuba City, Marysville, Chico and Susanville, CA. The Plumas National Forest is an ideal place to ride, with adventure, discovery, solitude and beauty at every turn. Frequently, OHV/OSV use is combined with other activities for an expanded experience, such as hunting, geocaching, camping, or general touring. Our snow grooming is one of the top programs in California, and we hope to expand the opportunities for additional groomed trails.

The forest has developed OHV/OSV multiple use areas for recreationists for both winter and summer activities. The Plumas also has developed 4X4 campgrounds that are located in semi-isolated portions of the forest, where jeeps, SUV's, ATV's or other high clearance vehicles have access. All areas and facilities, whether remote or along routes, regular maintenance, signing, and patrols. We have installed tables, fire-rings and wilderness toilets. The wilderness toilets and concrete tables by design require less maintenance.

To eliminate long term maintenance needs and to extend the life of the materials used, the forest supports the use of alternative materials. For example, concrete picnic tables perform better in areas subject to heavy snow, fire or acts of vandalism. Carsonite signposts, metal faceplates, and recycled plastic are "green" materials that have a long life combined with minimal maintenance which is essential to longevity of the investment and facilities.

Volunteers are important to the success to the Plumas OHV/OSV program. Three volunteer groups support the winter program by signing, grooming and patrolling activities. The summer program is supported by garbage collection, trail maintenance, and signing. Each volunteer group contributes to increased public awareness, by patrolling areas of interest and providing education to the users.

Both volunteers and forest service employees shuttle materials and supplies to groomer sheds, warming huts and other program sites. The volunteers perform most of this work, particularly at times when forest service personnel are not available. Additionally, the volunteer groups complete all of the winter trail grooming.

The Plumas NF has 2 GS-07 OHV/OSV Recreation Technicians that cover the forest, providing year-round trail maintenance, brushing, and signing, soil monitoring, public contacts and education, hazard patrols, and Green Sticker enforcement. During the winter the OHV/OSV Recreation Technician shovels snow from around restrooms, cleans restrooms, installs and retrieves seasonal signing of snow trails, patrols for hazards, and provides education and enforcement.

General Maintenance on level II roads is completed by the Plumas NF Road Crew, all this time is contributed during project work.

B. Relation of Proposed Project to OHV Recreation

The Forest has developed OHV/OSV multiple use areas for recreationist for both winter and summer activities. As well as 4X4 campgrounds that are located in semi-isolated portions of the forest, where jeeps, SUV's, ATV's or other high clearance vehicles have access. All area and facilities, whether remote or along routes, require regular signing, and patrols. Regular maintenance, even if only minor, is essential to the longevity of the investments and facilities.

C. Size of the Project

The Plumas NF maintains over 185 miles of winter OSV groomed snowmobile trails, 866 miles of un-groomed trails, and 4960 miles of OHV summer routes. The Plumas NF has 350,000 acres of riding available during winter. There is no open riding on the Plumas during summer, the routes that are designated for OHV use were done through the Travel Management effort.

D. Location and description of OHV opportunities

The Plumas National Forest maintains over 185 miles of winter OSV groomed snowmobile trails, 868 miles of un-groomed trails, and 4690 miles of OHV summer routes. Each year we see a rise in the use in both summer and winter activities. Evidence of increased use is demonstrated by the number of contacts that the Plumas National Forest Employees record. The Lake Basin Area is adjacent to the Tahoe National Forest which provides additional miles of groomed trails during the winter months, and also provide additional OHV use.

2. Rerouting Requirements

Rerouting

(a) Does your project involve rerouting of any roads and trails? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If response to question (a) is 'Yes', a Project timeline, conceptual drawings and site plans are required (See 'Attachments' tab at the top of the screen)

If response to question (a) is 'No', skip details related to rerouting

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1. Project Timeline (Required if project includes necessary rerouting)

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[Ground Ops Timeline](#)

2. Conceptual Drawings and Site Plans (Required if project includes necessary rerouting)

3. Project-Specific Maps

Attachments:

[Map Statement](#)

4. Optional Project-Specific Application Documents

Project Cost Estimate for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2008/2009
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Application: Ground Operations

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APPLICANT NAME :	USFS - Plumas National Forest		
PROJECT TITLE :	Ground Operations	PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) :	
PROJECT TYPE :	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration		
PROJECT DESCRIPTION :	<p>This project application is being made on behalf of the Plumas National Forest Summer and Winter OHV/OSV programs.</p> <p>The Plumas National Forest maintains over 185 miles of winter OSV groomed snowmobile trails, 868 miles of un-groomed trails, and 4690 miles of OHV summer routes. Each year we see a rise in the use in both summer and winter activities. Evidence of increased use is demonstrated by the number of contacts that the Plumas National Forest Employees record.</p> <p>Staff management and maintenance of OHV summer camps, 4X4 camps, year-round sanitation facilities, trailheads, staging areas, semi-developed campgrounds, designated touring routes, etc.</p> <p>Contracted services in support of these programs, i.e. toilet pumping</p> <p>Miscellaneous tools, supplies and materials for maintenance of signs, kiosks and visitor information boards distributed throughout the forest for both winter and summer use.</p> <p>Propane for the snow groomer's shed at Buck's Lake for operation of the electricity generator</p> <p>Maintenance for the OHV boat maintenance that provides service to the Gold Lake 4X4 camp.</p> <p>OHV/OSV recreation is rapidly becoming a major element of the Plumas National Forest recreation program. The forest is within a two hour drive of Reno, NV, Sacramento, Yuba City, Marysville, Chico and Susanville, CA. The Plumas National Forest is an ideal place to ride, with adventure, discovery, solitude and beauty at every turn. Frequently, OHV/OSV use is combined with other activities for an expanded experience, such as hunting, geocaching, camping, or general touring. Our snow grooming is one of the top programs in California, and we hope to expand the opportunities for additional groomed trails.</p> <p>The forest has developed OHV/OSV multiple use areas for recreationists for both winter and summer activities. The Plumas also has developed 4X4 campgrounds that are located in semi-isolated portions of the forest, where jeeps, SUV's, ATV's or other high clearance vehicles have access. All areas and facilities, whether remote or along routes, regular maintenance, signing, and patrols. We have installed tables, fire-rings and wilderness toilets. The wilderness toilets and concrete tables by design require less maintenance.</p> <p>To eliminate long term maintenance needs and to extend the life of the materials used, the forest supports the use of alternative materials. For example, concrete picnic tables perform better in areas subject to heavy snow, fire or acts of vandalism. Carsonite signposts, metal faceplates, and recycled plastic are "green" materials that have a long life combined with minimal maintenance which is essential to longevity of the investment and facilities.</p> <p>Volunteers are important to the success to the Plumas OHV/OSV program. Three volunteer groups support the winter program by signing, grooming and patrolling activities. The summer program is supported by garbage collection, trail maintenance, and signing. Each volunteer group contributes to increased public awareness, by patrolling areas of interest and providing education to the users.</p>		

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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
DIRECT EXPENSES							
Program Expenses							
1	Staff						
	Other-GS-13 PSS	24.000	450.000	DAY	0.00	10,800.00	10,800.00
	Other-GS-11 District PSS	45.000	350.000	DAY	0.00	15,750.00	15,750.00
	Other-GS-9 Asst. Res. Spec.	90.000	320.000	DAY	0.00	28,800.00	28,800.00
	Other-GS-7 Recreation Tech	82.000	280.000	DAY	10,000.00	12,960.00	22,960.00
	Other-GS-7 OHV Tech	417.000	280.000	DAY	116,760.00	0.00	116,760.00
	Other-GS-5 OHV Tech FRRD	100.000	185.000	DAY	18,500.00	0.00	18,500.00
	Heavy Equipment Operator	30.000	325.000	DAY	9,750.00	0.00	9,750.00
	Other-WG-9 Service Driver	15.000	280.000	DAY	4,200.00	0.00	4,200.00
	Other-Wildlife Monitoring GS-7	25.000	280.000	DAY	3,000.00	4,000.00	7,000.00
	Other-GS-9 SO	90.000	320.000	DAY	0.00	28,800.00	28,800.00
	Other-Volunteers	1000.000	25.000	HRS	0.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
	Other-Road Crew Maintenance	1000.000	280.000	HRS	0.00	280,000.00	280,000.00
	Total for Staff				162,210.00	406,110.00	568,320.00

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2	Contracts						
	Other-Toilet Pumping 02	10.000	700.000	EA	5,850.00	1,150.00	7,000.00
	Other-Toilet Pumping 01	11.000	500.000	EA	3,775.00	1,725.00	5,500.00
	Other-Toilet Pumping 03	7.000	1000.000		5,850.00	1,150.00	7,000.00
	Total for Contracts				15,475.00	4,025.00	19,500.00
3	Materials / Supplies						
	Other-Auto Tour Signs	2.000	1250.000	EA	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
	Other-Signs 01/02/03	1.000	7000.000	EA	7,000.00	0.00	7,000.00
	Other-Rocks/Barriers	1.000	5000.000	EA	3,000.00	2,000.00	5,000.00
	Other-Misc. Supplies	1.000	6000.000	EA	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
	Other-Primitive Toilets	2.000	2500.000	EA	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
	Other-Tables	7.000	500.000	DAY	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00
	Other-ADA Fire Rings	3.000	500.000	EA	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
	Other-GPS Unit	3.000	500.000	EA	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
	Other-Safety	1.000	6000.000	EA	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
	Other-Construction Material	1.000	7000.000	EA	7,000.00	0.00	7,000.00
	Other-Snowmobile Covers	2.000	100.000	EA	200.00	0.00	200.00
	Total for Materials / Supplies				38,200.00	7,000.00	45,200.00
4	Equipment Use Expenses						
	Other-Fleet	1.000	12500.000	MI	0.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
	Other-Snow O&M	1.000	2500.000	MISC	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
	Other-Snowmobile Fuel	1.000	2500.000	MISC	500.00	2,000.00	2,500.00

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	Other-Boat Maintenance	1.000	500.000	MISC	500.00	0.00	500.00
	Total for Equipment Use Expenses				3,500.00	14,500.00	18,000.00
5	Equipment Purchases						
	Other-Motorcycle	1.000	6000.000	EA	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
	Other-Snowmobile Trailer	3.000	1200.000	EA	3,600.00	0.00	3,600.00
	Other-Storage Container	1.000	3000.000	EA	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
	Other-Polaris Ranger	1.000	15500.000	EA	15,500.00	0.00	15,500.00
	Other-Snowmobiles	4.000	10000.000	EA	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00
	Other-ATV Trailer	2.000	1200.000	EA	2,400.00	0.00	2,400.00
	Total for Equipment Purchases				70,500.00	0.00	70,500.00
6	Others						
	Utilities	1.000	750.000	YR	0.00	750.00	750.00
	Other-Facility maintenance	3.000	1000.000	EA	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
	Other-Propane Groomer Shed	1.000	2000.000	EA	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
	Total for Others				2,000.00	3,750.00	5,750.00
7	Administrative Costs						
Total Program Expenses					291,885.00	435,385.00	727,270.00
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES					291,885.00	435,385.00	727,270.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES					291,885.00	435,385.00	727,270.00

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3	Materials / Supplies	38,200.00	7,000.00	45,200.00	
4	Equipment Use Expenses	3,500.00	14,500.00	18,000.00	
5	Equipment Purchases	70,500.00	0.00	70,500.00	
6	Others	2,000.00	3,750.00	5,750.00	
7	Administrative Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Program Expenses		291,885.00	435,385.00	727,270.00	
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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

ITEM 2

- b. ITEM 2 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? ☒ Yes ☐ No
(Please select Yes or No)
- c. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)
- d. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 3 – 9

ITEM 3 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands

No impact to Wetlands, or navigable waters has been identified or documented. Trail maintenance included as part of the Plumas NF OHV program includes use of heavy machinery and hand tools. Signing and route designation will focus use on roads and trails in order to minimize impacts to wetlands. Navigable waters are not impacted by this project. Law enforcement patrols and use of vehicle barriers will further limit intrusion into sensitive areas. Maps included as part of the Wildlife Habitat Protection Program (WHPP) show locations of Threatened, Endangered, and Sensitive Species habitat, in relation to summer OHV routes. All routes are monitored for impacts on wetlands, navigable waters and sensitive habitats. All monitoring activities are recorded and the data is used in development for the grant application and requests are made for funding to accomplish conservation activities, repair or maintenance of these routes or areas to ensure that resource damage does not occur. Level I-III roads and trails are maintained and brought up to "green" standards by FS Road Maintenance Crews. Forest wildlife biologists have indicated that continued signing, management, and monitoring of the OHV use will prevent impact to wetlands and sensitive species habitats.

Documentation: Plumas National Forest, NEPA Categorical Exclusion, dated March 2, 2009

NEPA Categorical Exemption List,

ITEM 4 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project

The Forest has not identified areas of cumulative impacts where managed OHV activities have occurred in the same place over the years due to OHV use or maintenance.

Maintenance of OHV routes using State and Federal funds includes maintenance by the use of all types of equipment or hand tools. Drainage devices such as water bars and rolling dips will be installed on 4x4 trails will be maintained, generally by Forest Service and volunteers through the Adopt-A-Trail program. All routes will be patrolled, and drainage devices with a noticeable need for maintenance will be maintained. No cumulative impacts are expected from doing routine maintenance. However, not conducting this maintenance may result in soil erosion. Not conducting maintenance will likely result in fewer OHV routes being in compliance with soil loss standards, and eventually result in the closure of routes.

Widening of trails is not a concern, as the majority of OHV routes are located on level II roads, and trails are maintained to designated width. Signing and vehicle barriers are used to keep vehicle travel on the trail, and to prevent trail widening.

No direct cumulative impacts have been documented or noted in our current Land Management plan as related to noise, increased traffic or dust etc.

ITEM 5 - Soil Impacts

Where managed OHV use occurs, no significant effect on the environment is caused due to unusual circumstances such as steep slopes or erodible soils. The Forests has re-routed trails to avoid these types of situations or accomplished trail maintenance, which is repeated as necessary. Currently there is no cross country travel on the Plumas NF, all OHV use must occur on existing roads and trails.

ITEM 6 - Damage to Scenic Resources

No damage to the scenic resources has been documented through our monitoring efforts. While a state scenic highway traverse the Plumas NF, (St. Rte. 70) no impacts to the scenic viewshed have occurred to this highway from OHV activities. OHV routes are not in the immediate vicinity of HWY 70 and cannot be seen from HWY 70.

ITEM 7 - Hazardous Materials

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

ITEM 8 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources

Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the potential impacts and for any substantially adverse changes in the significance of historical or cultural resources and measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the impacts.

ITEM 9 - Indirect Significant Impacts

No potential exists for the project to cause indirect significant impacts by causing user groups to go elsewhere, or significantly increasing use in the vicinity of the project. Trail maintenance will enhance and sustain the OHV opportunity Forest wide.

CEQA/NEPA Attachment

Attachments:

[Categorical Exclusion](#)

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1. Project Cost Estimate - Q 1. (Auto populates from Cost Estimate)

1. As calculated on the Project Cost Estimate, the percentage of the cost of the Project covered by the Applicant is 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 76% or more (10 points)
☒ 51% - 75% (5 points)
☐ 26% - 50% (3 points)
☐ 25% (Match minimum) (No points)

2. Failure to Complete - Q 2.

2. Failure to complete the Project would result in: 8

(Check all that apply) : Maximum of 8 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Loss of OHV Opportunity (6 points)
☒ Negative impact to cultural sites (2 points)
☐ Damage to special-status species or other sensitive habitat (2 points)
☒ Potential trespass (2 points)
☐ Additional damage to Facilities (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

The Plumas has competed for State OHV/OSV funding for the last several years with varying degrees of success. When the funding has been granted the OHV/OSV programs have been supported more successfully than when this funding was not available. Forest Service appropriated funding has been used to implement these programs, but without assistance from the State and reduced federal budgets, these services will be greatly reduced, almost to non-existence. Without additional funding, project operations are reduced and OHV/OSV opportunities are lost, including necessary trail clearing, signing, erosion control, brushing, etc., for maintenance of these routes.

Potential trespass issues could occur if road/trail markers and signs are not adequately available or posted to inform the public on what are valid roads/trails/play areas. Wilderness intrusions will increase.

Without funding to allow for patrol and educational signing of OHV/OSV routes the potential for additional damage to Facilities increases.

3. Sustain OHV Opportunity - Q 3.

3. The Project would sustain OHV Opportunity by 13

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Maintaining trail or road tread (5 points)
☒ Installing or repairing erosion control features (3 points)
☒ Providing traffic control and/or educational signage (3 points)
☒ Maintaining multi use (ATV, Dirt Bikes, 4x4, etc) (1 point)
☒ Providing varied levels of riding difficulty (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

With grant funding the Plumas would be able to use the Forest Service road maintenance crew and OHV technicians to maintain trail or road tread with a variety of equipment such as backhoe, chainsaw, shovels, etc. Water bars or erosion control ditches are used and designed to move water off of trails/roads in the most efficient manner. Direction markers and signs provide the public with an understanding of their location and appropriate uses.

The Plumas has 4960 miles of roads/routes that offer 4 wheel drive opportunities, single track motorcycle routes, and 185 miles of snowmobile routes, and playareas. Skill level varies from easy (single lane dirt road) to difficult (4 wheel drive recommended).

4. Public Input - Q 4.

4. The Project was developed with public input employing the following 2

(Check all that apply) : Maximum of 2 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project (1 point)
☒ Conference call(s) with interested parties (1 point)
☒ Meeting(s) with stakeholders (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

Meeting was held in August 2008 with the citizens of La Porte, California, to discuss several on going Forest Service programs, including the OHV/OSV grant programs.

A couple of meetings were held in 2008 with representatives of the La Porte Snowmobile Club to discuss the snow grooming program and its continued operation.

The Forest held public meetings in January 2009 at three separate locations across the forest to discuss the OHV Route Designation Public Motorized Travel Management Project. These meetings were well attended and the public is actively involved with Forest staff to establish the nationally mandated travel management plan for National Forest System lands.

5. Utilization of Partnerships - Q 5.

5. The Project will utilize partnerships to successfully accomplish the Project. The number of partner organizations that will participate in the Project are 4

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ 4 or more (4 points) ☐ 2 to 3 (2 points)
☐ 1 (1 point) ☐ None (No points)

List partner organization(s):

La Porte Snowmobile Club, Bucks Lake Snowdrifters, Lakes Basin Snowbusters, Ophir Gophers, Sierra Treasure Hunters, High Sierra ATV Tours, Paradise Ridge Riders, Feather River Rock Crawlers, Sierra Access Coalition, Friends of the High Lakes, and Sierra Buttes Stewardship.

6. Impact to Natural and Cultural Resources - Q 6.

6. The Project will avoid and/or minimize impact to natural and cultural resources by 7

(Check all that apply) : Maximum of 7 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Maintaining physical barriers to control OHV use (1 point)
☒ Protecting water quality (1 point)
☐ Providing bridges instead of wet crossings where appropriate (1 point)
☐ Protecting special-status species (1 point)
☐ Re-routing trails to divert away from riparian/wetlands areas (1 point)

- ☐ Providing sanitary facilities (1 point)
- ☐ Protecting cultural site(s) (1 point)
- ☒ Site design precludes the need for the above measures (7 points)

Explain each statement that was checked

The Plumas National Forest (PNF) has continued to demonstrate a strong commitment to natural and cultural resource protection while providing exceptional OHV recreational opportunities that are consistent with PNF Land and Resource Management Plan and the vision of the State OHV grant program. Funding assistance will assure a trained, competent staff consisting of technicians able to monitor and identify direct and indirect OHV impacts and prescribe and implement the most effective protective actions. Pro-active preventative measure used on the PNF include:

For the winter OSV program all snowmobile routes are groomed on designated trails, which are existing roads and trails. The wilderness boundary is heavily signed and patrolled on the staging area side, and also on the east side boundary where the most use occurs. During heavy use weekends extra patrols are added to ensure compliance with wilderness boundary.

Barriers, rock and signing are used to prevent intrusion into areas that are closed to OHV use on

7. Recycled Materials - Q 7.

7. The Project incorporates recycled materials by utilizing 5

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Barrier materials which include recycled content or materials obtained onsite (1 point)
- ☒ Signs, sign posts or education kiosks which use products with recycled content (1 point)
- ☒ Erosion control features which use materials with recycled content (1 point)
- ☒ Paper used for trail maps which includes recycled content (1 point)
- ☒ Other products with recycled content (Specify) (1 point) [Bulletin Boards]

8. Sustainable Technologies - Q 8.

8. The Project makes substantial use of sustainable technologies such as 4

- Alternative fuel vehicles and equipment
- Renewable energy sources (e.g., solar, wind)
- Low volatile organic compound emission materials (e.g., paint, sealants, carpet)
- Low flow plumbing fixtures
- Water efficient landscaping

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ No (No points) ☒ Yes (4 points)

Explain 'Yes' response

All water hydrants use low flow fixtures, all paint used on building is low volatile organic compound.

9. Motorized Access - Q 9.

9. The Project improves and/or maintains facilities that provide motorized access to the following non-motorized recreation opportunities 6

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 2 points each, up to a maximum of 6 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Camping ☒ Birding

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hiking | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equestrian trails |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fishing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rock Climbing |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) [Hunting, and Firewood] | |